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Congressman Kim's Guide to Grants - August 2021



I enjoyed learning about the great services provided by Ocean, Inc., and meeting some of the happy Head Start kids.

Hello and welcome to the Third Congressional District Guide to Grants August E-Newsletter. This past month, I had the privilege of visiting and meeting with many outstanding nonprofit agencies in Ocean and Burlington Counties. I am always humbled to learn about the great work being done by the staff and incredibly dedicated volunteers, and eager to learn how my office

can help.

In case you missed it, on August 12th, my office hosted a very successful and well attended webinar on the American Rescue Plan Funding available through the National Endowment for the Humanities. Thank you to the NJ Council for the Humanities for leading this with our office and providing excellent guidance for organizations interested in applying.

There is still time to apply for this funding, and I encourage you to learn more about it and see if your organization fits the criteria.

You can find a link to the <u>American Rescue Plan – NEH Arts & Humanities Grants Webinar webinar by clicking here.</u>

I also <u>invite you to join me</u> on my next telephone town hall this Thursday, August 19th, at 5:30 p.m. to discuss issues related to cybersecurity safety, awareness, and internet scams. Please feel free to share this information with the individuals you help who may benefit from this <u>town hall</u>.

Joining me will be a representative from the AARP Fraud Watch Network, Assistant Prosecutor **Taylor Toscano** from the Ocean County Prkosecutor's office, and **Joseph Remy**, Supervisor of the Financial Crimes Unit from the Burlington County Prosecutor's office.

If you want to sign up for the Town Hall, you can do so by clicking here.

UPCOMING GRANT OPPORTUNITIES, DEADLINES AND RESOURCES:

Library Grants for National Leadership, Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Programs Now Open

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the nation's libraries and museums. The advance, support, and empower America's museums, libraries, and related organizations through grantmaking, research, and policy development.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is now accepting FY 2022 proposals for National Leadership Grants for Libraries (NLG-L) and the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program (LB21).

Applicants have through September 24, 2021, to submit their two-page preliminary proposals.

The National Leadership Grants for Libraries program supports projects that address critical needs of the library and archives fields and have the potential to advance practice in these professions to strengthen library and archival services for the American public. Successful proposals will generate results such as new models, new tools, research findings, services, practices, or alliances that will be widely used, adapted, scaled, or replicated to extend and leverage the benefits of federal investment.

The Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program supports the development of a diverse workforce of librarians and archivists, to better meet the information needs of communities being

served. Program goals include recruiting, training, developing, and retaining a diverse workforce of library and archives professionals; developing faculty, library, and archives leaders by increasing the institutional capacity of libraries, archives, and of graduate programs related to library and information science; and enhancing the training and professional development of the library and archival workforce to meet the needs of their communities.

Free, on-demand informational webinar are made available on the IMLS website.

Funding Opportunities for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities and Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Programs for Fiscal Year 2021

The <u>Flood Mitigation Assistance</u> (FMA) and the <u>Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities</u> (BRIC) grants provide funds to states, local communities, tribes and territories for eligible mitigation activities to strengthen our nation's ability to build a culture of preparedness. These programs fund projects that invest in a more resilient nation, reduce disaster suffering, and avoid future disaster costs.

The application period opens on Sept. 30 and the funding notices are available on <u>Grants.gov</u>. Eligible applicants must apply for funding using <u>FEMA Grants</u> <u>Outcomes</u>, the agency's grants management system. Submit applications in FEMA Grants Outcome Portal no later than 3 p.m. ET on Jan. 28, 2022. Applications received by FEMA after this deadline will not be considered for funding.

FEMA Offering Webinars

FEMA is offering a series of informational webinars for interested applicants to provide an overview of the grant programs and details about the agency's funding priorities and review process. The webinars are designed for leaders in states, local communities, tribes and territories, as well as private sector entities, private nonprofit organizations, and individuals interested in learning more about the BRIC and FMA grant programs and strategies for how to apply for them.

For those interested in joining online, here is the full webinar schedule at <u>FEMA.gov</u>.

HHS Announces \$103 Million from American Rescue Plan to Strengthen Resiliency and Address Burnout in the Health Workforce

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), announced the availability of an estimated \$103 million in American Rescue Plan funding over a three-year period to reduce burnout and promote mental health among the health workforce. These investments, will help health care organizations establish a culture of wellness among the health and public safety workforce and will support training efforts that build resiliency for those at the beginning of their health careers.

"The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to ensuring our frontline health care workers have access to the services they need to limit and prevent burnout, fatigue and stress during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond," said HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra. "It is essential that we provide behavioral health resources for our health care providers – from paraprofessionals to

public safety officers – so that they can continue to deliver quality care to our most vulnerable communities."

The programs will support the implementation of evidence-informed strategies to help organizations and providers respond to stressful situations, endure hardships, avoid burnout and foster healthy workplace environments that promote mental health and resiliency.

There are three funding opportunities that are now accepting applications:

- Promoting Resilience and Mental Health Among Health Professional Workforce Approximately 10 awards will be made totaling approximately \$29 million over three
 years to health care organizations to support members of their workforce. This includes
 establishing, enhancing, or expanding evidence-informed programs or protocols to
 adopt, promote and implement an organizational culture of wellness that includes
 resilience and mental health among their employees.
- Health and Public Safety Workforce Resiliency Training Program Approximately 30 awards will be made totaling approximately \$68 million over three years for educational institutions and other appropriate state, local, Tribal, public or private nonprofit entities training those early in their health careers. This includes providing evidence-informed planning, development and training in health profession activities in order to reduce burnout, suicide and promote resiliency among the workforce.
- Health and Public Safety Workforce Resiliency Technical Assistance Center One award will be made for approximately \$6 million over three years to provide tailored training and technical assistance to HRSA's workforce resiliency programs.

To apply for the Provider Resiliency Workforce Training Notice of Funding Opportunities, visit Grants.gov. Applications are due August 30, 2021.

Helpful Tips and Resources for Grantseekers:

SAMSHA Webinar: How to Develop a Competitive Grant Application

SAMHSA will be conducting a webinar on how to develop a competitive grant application. The webinar will be offered on August 26, September 30, and October 28 at 2 pm (ET). The webinar will address:

- The four registration processes that need to be completed.
- Preparing to apply for a grant.
- Key components of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).
- Responding effectively to the evaluation criteria.
- Resources and technical assistance that are available.

Information on how to access the webinars can be found on the Training Events webpage – <u>by clicking here</u>.

There is no need to pre-register. If you would like to receive the slides prior to the webinar, send an email to: <u>GPOtraining@samhsa.hhs.gov</u>.

New Jersey State Library Webinar–Introduction to Proposal Writing August 19 @ 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Are you new to proposal writing or want a quick refresher?

This introductory class will provide you with an overview of the basics of writing a grant proposal for foundation funding. It will include:

- The basic elements of a grant proposal
- The "do's" and "don'ts" of writing and submitting a proposal
- How to follow up whether the answer is yes or no

To Register, please click here.

Pro Bono Partnerships:

Pro Bono Partnership, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, provides free business and transactional legal assistance to other nonprofits. They recruit and support volunteer attorneys with a range of specializations to help nonprofits in Connecticut, New Jersey, and New York achieve their goals, avoid risk, increase capacity, and better serve their constituencies. To learn more about them – please click here.

Free Legal Assistance Their Volunteer Lawyers Provide:

- Applying for Tax Exemption
- Corporate Law and Governance
- Nonprofit Mergers and Consolidations
- Contracts and Leases
- Intellectual Property
- Real Estate
- General Employment
- Harassment Policies
- Insurance and Risk Management
- Volunteers
- Nonprofit Child Care Centers
- Fundraising and Revenue Generating Activities
- Political Activities
- Privacy, Confidentiality and Liability

Free Grants.gov Training Resources:

Watch video tutorials and training videos on how to navigate Grants.gov and apply using Workspace. Subscribe to the <u>Grants.gov YouTube channel here</u>. You can find more <u>Applicant Training</u> resources on <u>Grants.gov</u>.

As always, I encourage you to reach out to my office if there is support we can provide to advance your missions. The Director of Grants for my office is Lynette Whiteman and she stand ready to help — Email: lynette.whiteman@mail.house.gov Cell: (202)-430-1261.

Reach out if we can assist with:

- Writing a Letter of Support to accompany your Federal Grant Requests
- Connecting you with a Federal Grant Congressional Liaison to answer questions that may not be covered in the Notice of Funding Opportunity
- For some Federal Grants, obtaining a review and feedback if your grant was denied so your next application is stronger
- Working with our Congressional Liaisons to do research to see if there is a Federal Grant that would fund your proposed project or grant

And finally – I hope you can join me on Thursday night for our TeleTown Hall. As leaders who work with vulnerable populations, I know you understand how devastating and life-changing being the victim of a scam can be.

Sincerely.

Andy Kim

Member of Congress